

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BEXP, BL  
SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT: OXYGEN PLANT FOR LEAD AND SILVER  
SMELTER

REF: A) STATE 45216, B) LA PAZ 1104, C) LA PAZ 899

1. EFFECTIVELY, THE OXYGEN PLANT IS AN AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT  
FOR THE LEAD-SILVER SMELTER TO BE BUILT BY COMIBOL-ENAF  
JOINT VENTURE REPORTED IN REFTEL B. ALL AUXILIARY OR  
OFFSIDE EQUIPMENT IS COVERED BY TENDER NOTICE.

2. TODAY, EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY ENAF THAT BID  
DEADLINE HAS BEEN MOVED FORWARD TO MAY 9, 1977.

3. DETAIL AND SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON OXYGEN PLANT WAS  
FORWARDED BY EMBASSY ON FOREIGN GOVERNMENT TENDER 335/01/  
T0065, TEL LA PAZ 0899 ON JANUARY 31, 1977.

4. FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR THE LEAD-SILVER SMELTER WAS  
PERFORMED BY KLOCKNER AND SIDECH OF GERMANY AND BELGIUM  
RESPECTIVELY. IT WILL PRODUCE 20,000 MT OF  
METALLIC LEAD AND 200 MT OF METALLIC SILVER. TOTAL  
INVESTMENT ESTIMATED AT \$105 MILLION.

5. SERGIO KORN AND F.D. LUCAS COMPANY ARE WELL  
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KNOWN TO MINERALS ATTACHE AND HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.  
WTDR BEING FORWARDED. F. D. LUCAS WAS BOLIVIAN  
COMPANY BOUGHT INTO BY BRAZILIAN COMPANY THAT  
REPRESENTS MANY U.S. FIRMS.  
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